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LEWIS CALLS ON LABOR TO ASSUME GREATER INDEPENDENT POLITICAL ROLE

Browder Files Notice of Appeal

Case Now Goes to U. S. Circuit Court; Bail Is Continued

Accompanied by his counsel, Earl Browder yesterday filed notice of appeal of his conviction in the United States District Court.

The case of the Communist leader now goes before the Circuit Court of Appeals.

Judge Alfred C. Coxe, who on Monday had pronounced the harsh sentence of four years and \$2,000 fine for a trivial passport technicality, agreed to continue bail at the same figure of \$7,500 which had been set after his indictment.

Browder was accompanied to court by Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, secretary of the Defense Committee for Civil Rights for Communists, who arranged the transfer of the bail; and by Attorney Edward Kuntz, Abe Unger and Edward Arohow.

The notice of appeal listed eleven points, including:

A charge that the indictment violated Amendments 5, 9 and 10 of the Constitution.

A charge that Judge Alfred C. Coxe "erred throughout the trial" in sustaining the objections of the prosecution and in overruling the defense objections.

A charge that the Judge's instructions to the jury were unfair.

A charge that the 4-year sentence was "excessive."

Wage Boost Demanded by Scotch Miners

GLASCO, Jan. 23.—Eighty-seven thousand Scottish miners today demanded an increase in minimum wages from eight to ten shillings (about \$1.80 to \$2.00) a day to compensate for wartime price increases and profiteering.

The demand was made through a conference at which 100 delegates were present.

The wage claims of the miners are part of the general movement of 4,000,000 British workers for higher wages. This campaign is forcing through the barriers to labor action set up by the Labor leaders who are collaborating with the Chamberlain Government in prosecution of the imperialist war.

The machine industry workers, numbering 1,250,000 are leading in this fight, with the Clydeside in Scotland taking a key role.

Hungry Boy Steals Meal; Join the Army, Judge Says

A hungry young man, who stole a sandwich and was arrested when he returned to explain he'd "pay for it" when he got the money, heard the glories of poverty sung in Flushing Police Court yesterday by a judge who advised the youth to join the Army.

The youth, 20-year-old Ferdinand Verpet, who had not eaten for two full days when he stole the sand-

THE CAPTAIN OF PEACE



"The more difficult the moment, the more steadfast and steel-like and cool they stand in the midst of the storm until, with the great rising mass movement, they not only ride the storm but control the

storm and bring the ship of the working class to port." —Earl Browder, in his address at Madison Square Garden Monday Night.

File Double Petition Quota For Browder

5,500 Sign Election Petitions in 14th Cong. District

Following the four year sentence passed on Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, in the reactionary drive to crush the only outspoken voice against the war policies of the Roosevelt administration, 5,500 signatures of registered voters in the 14th Congressional District were filed yesterday with the Board of Elections as the first step to elect the Communist candidate to Congress.

While only 2,800 signatures are required to place a party on the ballot, the 5,500 signatures obtained by Communist campaign workers is the answer of the people of the 14th Congressional District to the war plans and hunger program of Wall Street bankers.

The total amount of signatures

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British Destroyer Sunk; Fear Entire Crew Lost

LONDON, Wednesday, Jan. 24 (UPI).—The Admiralty announced today that the destroyer Exmouth has been sunk by a mine or a torpedo and that it is feared "there are no survivors."

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Telegrams Pour In From Abroad and From Over U.S. To Cheer Browder's Fight

Miners Join Chilean Workers in Sending Pledge of Aid

It has been said that Earl Browder "has touched the hearts of the people" and now the proof of the love and respect in which millions of tollers hold this great American is seen in the spontaneous tributes to him which are still pouring in from far parts of the world and from all over the United States following his conviction and sentence on frivolous charges of passport irregularity.

Following are some of the wired greetings, from Mexico, from Chile, from every corner of this great

Seamen Cheer Browder's Fight for Civil Liberties

From East and West and from far at sea, American marines are sending fighting messages to Earl Browder and touching to struggle tirelessly for his freedom. Following are some of the greetings from seamen which were wired to Browder at the great Madison Square Garden Lenin Memorial meeting at the day of Browder's conviction:

"The realization of the full meaning behind the attempted frame-up of yourself reaches far out to sea. Sailors aboard my ship see the trials as the reactionary means to screen the attack of labor and to drive us into war. Signed, Jack Summers, A Seaman at Sea."

"A group of seamen aboard the S.S. Panama enthusiastically greet your summation speech. The exposure of the attempted frame-up is evident despite the meager press reports. With leaders like you the American working class is assured of victory. Signed, Seamen Aboard S.S. Panama."

"The sinister railroading of America's outstanding fighter for peace and civil rights is the most dangerous threat to the whole American people. We pledge every effort to fight this reactionary attempt to silence America's clearest and sharpest voice in the fight for peace. Signed, A Group of YCL Seamen."

"Greetings from a West Coast marine fireman. We are with you in this vicious attempted frame-up. Signed, Walter Stich, of the Marine Firemen, Oilers and Waterlanders Association."

"Your outrageous conviction and sentence is an unspeakable insult to the American people but it will not avail. The American working class will jam this vicious conviction down the throats of war-mongering American capitalism. Our voice and activity will increase a thousandfold. Millions will rally to your defense. Long live our great heroic Party and its beloved leader Earl Browder who personifies all the aspirations of the exploited American people. Signed, Waterfront Section, Communist Party."

104 Still Missing After Fire Sinks Italian Liner

GENOA, Italy, Jan. 23 (UP).—Suffering from bruises, shock and burns, 511 survivors from the burned Italian passenger liner Orazio arrived here today aboard the rescue liners Conte Biancamano and Comiso.

Three lifeboats containing 104 persons were missing. It is believed that boats were searching for them, but little hope remained that they would be found.

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Alliance Will Reconsider 3rd Term Support

Charges WPA Is Rapidly Degenerating into Forced Labor

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau) WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 23.—The Workers Alliance served notice today that it will have to reconsider the resolution passed at its 1938 convention approving a third term for President Roosevelt.

Following a meeting of its National Executive Board, the Alliance warned Democratic leaders that the unemployed workers of America "will not be political chattel to be bought and sold by any group."

As far as relief is concerned, the Alliance charged that WPA is rapidly deteriorating to the point where it already has "many of the elements of a forced labor program."

On the political front, the Alliance declared that "we find the administration giving ground on all fronts to the demand of reaction, unity between administration and reaction is accomplished at the expense of the majority of the people."

"Instead of marching ahead to a solution of our pressing problems, retreat is made on major fronts. The needs of the farmer, labor, the unemployed, are sacrificed to the demands of big business for economy."

The Alliance said that it "will not and cannot join this retreat. We have fought too long for the principles embodied in the New Deal to give them up now."

While stating that no final decision

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War Exports To Japan Rise Sharply in '39

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—Exports to Japan of steel and iron scrap and refined copper—essential materials in the manufacture of munitions—increased sharply during the first 11 months of 1939 compared with the same period of 1938, a Commerce Department report revealed today.

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Scouting, Artillery And Air Activity, Red Army Reports

MOSCOW, Wednesday, Jan. 24 (UP).—Soviet planes made "fighting flights" in Finland yesterday, the Leningrad Military Area communiqué said early today.

Some infantry detachments were active, according to the announcement released by the official news agency Tass.

The communiqué said:

"On Jan. 23 there were scouting activities in the directions of Ukhta and Repola. In the Petrozavodsk sector there were activities by some infantry detachments. On the Karelian Isthmus artillery fire was active and scouts were busy. Soviet aviation made reconnoitering and fighting flights."

House Stampede OK's Fund For Dies

Former New Dealers Toe Reactionary Line; 21 Vote Against It

By Adam Lapin

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—As administration leaders swung their support behind the Dies Committee, the House voted overwhelmingly today to continue the great un-American witch-hunt for another year.

Only a courageous handful of 21 Congressmen answered "no" when their names were called, while 345, including the vast majority of both Democrats and Republicans, voted in favor of the committee. Last year there were 35 votes against the committee.

At a later date the committee on accounts will bring in a special resolution on Dies Committee funds. It is expected that the Dies Committee, which has already spent \$125,000, will get another \$100,000.

The two top-notch Democratic leaders in the House, Majority Leader Sam Rayburn of Texas and the Democratic whip, Patrick Boland of Pennsylvania, voted in support of the Dies Committee.

Speaker William Bankhead and Rayburn had actually put pressure on Rules Committee Chairman Adolph Sabath to return to Washington so that his committee could

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Mayor Reveals U.S. Once Freed Terrorist Leader

William G. Bishop, leader of the

17 "Christian Front" fascist terror group jailed by the Federal Government after discovery of a gun and bomb plot, had been arrested on a gun charge in New York six years ago and was held by immigration officials for deportation as an undesirable alien. Mayor LaGuardia revealed yesterday.

But, the Mayor disclosed, the Federal government let him go scot-free.

He said Police Commissioner Lewis Valentine had investigated the Bishop case following his recent arrest and that evidence showing the fascist terrorist was an alien born in Geneva, Switzerland, was turned over to the Federal authorities.

At that time, the Mayor said, the police ascertained Bishop was not a citizen and was deportable under the law. This was reported to the Federal authorities.

A warrant for his arrest as a deportable alien was served on Bishop when he left the workhouse and he was taken to Ellis Island.

Bishop, however, told immigration officials he was born in Massachusetts and he was released after they accepted his "proof" of citizenship.

Miners' Officers Say Stay Out of War

CIO Head Calls Unions to Take Initiative Against Reaction

By Louis F. Budenz

(Special to the Daily Worker)

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 23. "Labor must play an increasing part in determining the destiny of this Republic," emphatically declared President John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers today to 2,400 cheering delegates at this golden jubilee Convention of the Miners Union.

In the crowded Columbus Auditorium, jammed with representatives of the organized coal diggers, Lewis gave this solemn warning:

"If labor fails to play that part and if labor lacks the courage and the initiative to play that part, then all the rulers will be made by those who are the natural exploiters of labor, and all the policies will be uttered by those who always hope to profit at labor's expense."

As the head of the Miners Union thus rallied America's workers to make themselves felt in the national arena in 1940, the International officers in a joint report indicated that opposition to involvement in the war and the battle for social security were the basis for labor's political activities.

STAY OUT OF WAR

"The United Mine Workers of America declared that the United States must not become involved in foreign wars," stated the officers in an 82 page document read to the convention at this afternoon's session.

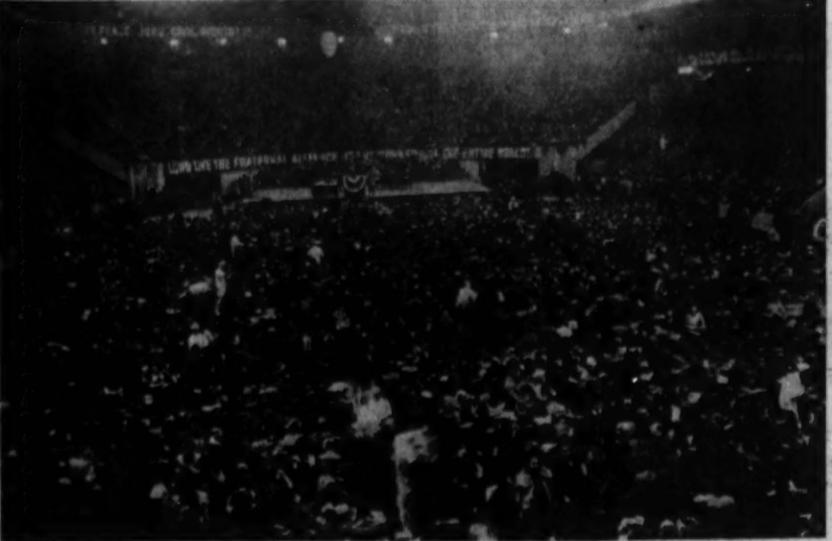
"There can be no justification for the United States being dragged into the quarrels of foreign nations. The only war in which we should participate is the war to destroy and wipe out the causes that lead to unemployment, to sub-standard wages—inadequate purchasing power, the inequitable unjust distribution of national income, all of which adversely affect the principles of economic justice and security under our political democracy."

Personifying this determination of the powerful miners' union to be heard in national affairs, Lewis hurled bolts of sarcastic criticism at Paul V. McNutt, Social Security Administrator and one of the administration candidates for President in 1940.

Characterizing the former Indiana governor as "a political adventurer, who liked to pretend

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'Happy to Have You With Us,' 20,000 Roar Welcome to Browder at Madison Square Garden Rally



Browder Hailed As A People's Warrior For America's Peace

20,000 in Garden Cheer His Fighting Speech; 'Happy to Have You,' Crowd Shouts

By Art Shields

Earl Browder was never closer to the hearts of the advanced workers of New York than he was Monday night in Madison Square Garden, a few hours after a capital court imposed its barbarous sentence. He was blood of the blood of the 20,000 Communists and sympathizers, who sang the International as he entered the hall on the sixteenth anniversary of Lenin's death.

A mighty shout, "happy to have you!" went up from the audience as Browder rose to speak.

They were pledging their utmost to free Browder.

And vowing their hardest efforts in the fight to win his election campaign in the 14th Congressional District in New York on Feb. 6.

They were hailing Earl Browder as a people's warrior, not a martyr. Robert Minor, "Fighting Bob Minor," the chairman of the Defense Committee for Civil Rights to Communists, spoke the thoughts of the multitude Monday night as he said:

A FIGHTER, NOT MARTYR

"We are not going to make a martyr out of him. Earl Browder is a warrior."

Browder was never a better warrior than Monday night. He was never more sure of himself, more strong than he was seven hours after Judge Cox had sentenced him to four years in prison.

The promise of victory glowed in his tones as he said:

"We must build our Communist Party faster and stronger than ever, and build our Daily Worker more and more, stronger than ever—because the Daily Worker is just like air for us today, without it we cannot breathe."

And we must go to the masses and build a great peace party, he said, build a mass social party, a party of a social budget instead of a hunger budget, a party of peace and prosperity for the people.

"As a first step towards that," he said, "I venture to think it might be a good idea to carry out this proposal to send me to Congress from the Fourteenth Congressional District."

The crowd shouted its acclaim.

SCORN FOR DESERTERS

Browder showed his fighting blood too as he poured out his scorn on the liberal politicians who deserted the people last year for the money-bag war-makers.

What Browder said of those deserters "gave both the major political camps food for thought," admitted a Washington correspondent of the Morgan-controlled Sun of New York yesterday afternoon.

Former associates of the Communists, who climb the stairs of the "most exclusive old men's club in America" after sealing their deal with the blood of their own associates, will not quickly forget Browder's biting words.

"That," said the Communist general secretary, "is one of the smaller angels to the sentence in the Federal District Court today."

Browder's satire is hard as the class struggle itself, and just as true. The truth hurts the enemies of truth, hurts the renegades. New Dealers who let Communists help them in drafting their speeches, when they wanted to appeal to the masses.

REACTIONARY UNITY

"They don't need us for these things any more," said Browder. "They are not making that kind of speeches—they don't want to rouse the masses."

The "national unity" reactionaries are seeking—what is it? The crowd leaned forward in their seats as Browder said of a once-new Dealer:

"The daughter-in-law may be married to a munitions family, and there is a contradiction to it, if we have a peace policy. Another member of the family may

have entered the employ of their once greatest political rival. These contradictions have to be reconciled some way and the family and national unity has to be re-established some way, and how can it be done.

"Well a very touching unanimity is being built up now. But it is a unity that's directed against the welfare and peace of the people of America."

Browder talked of Lenin Monday night of Leninism that lives in the Communist Party today and of Stalin, "our dear comrade Joseph Stalin," who is continuing Lenin's work with such brilliant success.

BAUMAN SINGS

The crowd saw a beautiful dance memorial to Lenin earlier that evening. There was dignity, grace and a climax of exuberant vitality in the dance composition presented by Jane Dudley and Sophie Maslow and their dance groups on the Garden stage.

Song interludes by Mordecai Bauman and the American Peoples Chorus were presented with beauty and power that same night.

Victory was in the air at the Garden meeting. One felt it in William Z. Foster's speech. Foster, the veteran chairman of the Communist Party, the famous trade unionist, who led the great steel strike, smiled joyously at the greeting the crowd gave him as he stepped to the rostrum:

"The capitalist press said the Party was dead—" he began.

"We read the Daily Worker," yelled a voice in reply.

Foster smiled more widely. And then he began a serious talk on the terrible war danger, against which the workers must fight.

"The Roosevelt Government is not simply preparing for war. It is taking the American people into war, step by step.

"How quick Roosevelt was to impose the embargo against Republicans Spain! How quick to lift it for France and Great Britain!

"This lifting of the embargo was a powerful, perhaps the most decisive aid for one side of this imperialist war."

"The Government's policy in Finland is a war policy."

ROOSEVELT'S MEDDLING

Foster discussed Roosevelt's intervention during the Soviet-Finnish negotiations and the President's refusal to cooperate with the Soviet Union at an earlier period to stop fascist aggression.

Emphasizing that all the imperialist powers were guilty in the present war, Foster pointedly added:

"The war guilt is shared by President Roosevelt and this country. It is a heavy guilt."

What must American workers do now? One thing, declared Foster, is to stop war loans to the Mannerheim regime in Finland.

There must have been others of the same social strata, out on relatively low bail pending appeal to the higher courts, who smiled inwardly as they read the pious words of U. S. Attorney John C. Cahill about dealing severely with those guilty of infraction of the law.

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Others would reply to the present attack on the Party's general secretary, Comrade Browder, by sending him to Congress Feb. 6.

\$4,662 FOR DEFENSE

Israel Amitz, Secretary of the New York District of the Party, whose main speech was reported in yesterday's Daily Worker, called on the workers to fight the present attack on the Bill of Rights by the war-makers with their gifts.

Over \$4,662 was quickly contributed.

Some of the money was sent in by seamen and other workers, who sent greetings to Browder at the meeting.

Henry Winston, young Negro administrative secretary of the Young Communist League, whose speech was also reported yesterday, had roused the house with the slogan: "The Yanks Are Not Coming!"

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, secretary of the Defense Committee for Civil Rights to Communists, addressed later that same evening:

"That slogan, 'The Yanks Are Not Coming,' is echoed in the hearts of all women. Today women are revising the anti-war song of 1917—I Didn't Raise My Boy to Be a Soldier."

More and more women today, said Comrade Flynn, are adding—a Soldier for Wall Street. They are seeing what the imperialist war is about.

More and more people, said the speaker, "DON'T LIKE BUTCHER MANNERHEIM."

Talking of Lenin, Comrade Flynn spoke of his championship of women's rights. She told how three years before America gave the votes to women by the Susan B. Anthony amendment, the Lenin constitution of Soviet Russia had given the franchise and economic emancipation to the women of that great land.

TORIES IN SWEDEN ASK BAN ON COMMUNIST PARTY

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Jan. 23 (UP)—The Conservative party in both houses of parliament proposed today to expel Communist members and dissolve the Communist Party.

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Sells 300 'Dailies' in Ten Minutes

Could Have Sold 1,000, Says Times Square Red Builder

"I never saw people so hungry for a newspaper in my life. There's the Daily Worker man over there," they said. "If I had a thousand copies I could have sold them easy on Times Square last night."

That's what Stanley Standa, Daily Worker "Red Builder" from the Times Square area, had to say about the sale of the special Browder edition Monday night. Standa, who has been selling Dailies for more than a decade, said he had never seen anything like the way folks went for the Daily Worker Monday night.

"I came up there first with 300 and in ten minutes I didn't have a paper on me. I hurried down for some more and all I could get was 150. The sales were the same all over town. I took back that 150 and I guess I didn't have them more than five minutes. Folks of them never had bought the Daily before. You could tell from the way they would ask 'how much is it?' Others said 'give me two, I have to show this issue around.' Some even bought four and five copies. You never saw anything like it!"

While exact figures on the number of Dailies sold Monday night is not yet available, the circulation department of the Daily Worker estimated yesterday that a good 30,000 above the normal circulation had been sold.

BILL HAYWOOD

The golden road of imperialism. It was the beginning of the modern epoch of imperialism, after the Spanish-American war had launched the American military adventure in Cuba, Puerto Rico and the Philippines.

WHEN EARL BROWDER WAS A BUILDER OF THE SOCIALIST PRESS

By ROBERT MINOR
Chairman of the Defense Committee for Civil Rights for Communists

[Sixth of a series of sketches on the life of Earl Browder.]

When Earl Browder was ten years old his school-teacher father took him to a meeting of a new party that had just been formed—the Socialist Party.

The dreams inspired by "Sockless Jerry" Simpson and William J. Bryan were beginning to fade. The United States Steel Corporation was coming to be known as the maker of presidents, and the weakness and antiquated character of the trade unions, together with the absence of any political organization of the working class, left open and unobstructed the golden

road of imperialism. It was the beginning of the modern epoch of imperialism, after the Spanish-American war had launched the American military adventure in Cuba, Puerto Rico and the Philippines.

THE MAN THEY WANT TO GET

AT 16 BROWDER WAS A BUILDER OF THE SOCIALIST PRESS

By ROBERT MINOR
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In 1903 and 1904 the great struggle of the Western Federation of Miners broke out with terrific violence provoked by the determination of the great metal mining corporations that their "empire building" should not be hampered by the so "un-American" a thing as trade unionism.

These were days of bloodshed—the heartless slaughter of workers at Coeur d'Alene, the wild orgies of murder, the provocative crimes, of the corporations' undercover men and agents provocateurs. Harry Orchard, a company stool-pigeon, confessed to the murder of Governor Steunenburg. Orchard also confessed to some 20 other murders. He became the "hero" of the mining corporations by swearing that the responsibility rested upon Big Bill Haywood, together with Moyer and Pettibone, the three leaders of the Western Federation of Miners.

In the Browder home at Wichita appeared the classic American socialist paper, the "Appeal to Reason," published in the neighboring town of Girard. Earl Browder, 16 years old messenger boy, carried the "Appeal to Reason" inside the coat of his Western Union uniform. At every opportunity he studied hard, learning about life and the class struggle from this greatest of all American labor cases in that day. Fired with enthusiasm for the defense of the miners' leaders Earl assiduously distributed the "Appeal to

Reason" every week, slipping copies that he bought himself under doors of working class homes in the early hours of Sunday morning and selling other copies after work hours.

He read the famous editorial "Arise, Ye Slaves!" written by Eugene V. Debs, which read:

"Moyer and Haywood are our comrades, staunch and true, and if we do not stand behind them to the shedding of the last drop of blood in our veins, we are disgraced forever and deserve the fate of cringing cowards."

This was an indelible part of the education of the boy Earl Browder.

[Next: Earl Browder and the Socialist Party.]

Workers School Announces New Lecture Series

In response to many requests for a continuation of the popular lecture series recently conducted on the international situation, the Workers School announced today a new series along similar lines, which will start Saturday afternoon, January 27, at 2:30 P. M. at Irving Plaza, with Pat Toohey speaking on "The Soviet Union, 1940—A Close-Up."

Mr. Toohey, who recently returned from an 18-month stay in the Soviet Union, will be in a position to give a first-hand report of the most recent developments in Soviet policy, based on his personal observations.

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He had gotten from the amiable insurance companies.

This is real crime stuff, not the undotted "I's" and uncrossed "I's" out of which the Browder case is compounded. But—

One year for Mr. Pendergast, crook and grafter.

Four years for Mr. Browder, fighter for peace and the rights of the people.

The McKesson-Robins case was one of the biggest scandals in years. The swindle is estimated at \$75,000,000. The net results of the investigations thus far have been that a brother or two of the late Musica have committed hari-kari in front of the District Attorney's office.

John C. Cahill, the ambitious U. S. attorney who prosecuted Earl Browder, is in charge of the case. But one year after the indictments have been handed down there isn't even a talk about bringing the case to trial.

Earl Browder's guilt consists in the fact that he committed one crime.

COURTS ARE NICE TO SOCIETY CROOKS AND GRAFTERS

By Sender Garlin

A number of socially prominent convicts temporarily detained in various prisons and penitentiaries of the country, must have chuckled as they tuned in their radios and learned of the savage sentence against Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party of the United States.

There must have been others of the same social strata, out on relatively low bail pending appeal to the higher courts, who smiled inwardly as they read the pious words of U. S. Attorney John C. Cahill about dealing severely with those guilty of infraction of the law.

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Richard Whitney had a big laugh on the Browder case, too. Whitney, former head of the New

Text of Browder's Garden Speech

'The People Are Going to March Forward--And With the People Will Belong the Victory'

The following is the complete text of the speech of Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, delivered Monday night in Madison Square Garden: [The text is from a stenogram.]

FRIENDS:

I am very happy to be able to speak to you this evening and to take part in this commemoration of the anniversary of the death of our great leader, Lenin. (Shouts from the audience: "Happy to have you.")

Lenin taught us much. Very often we forget how much of the understanding that we have of the world about us, of the struggles that are taking place, we owe to the teachings of Lenin. How often we forget that if we can look upon this turbulent and chaotic scene of American social and political life and make some meaning out of it and see ahead what is coming, we must thank the teachings of Lenin for that ability. And it is well that we have these meetings every year to remind ourselves of that great source of wisdom and to remind ourselves that although Lenin died, Leninism lives (applause) and that Lenin left a worthy successor who is continuing the work which he did with brilliant success, that great pupil and continuator of Lenin our dear comrade Joseph Stalin (applause). The international working class movement—the Communist movement of the world—that can produce such leaders and teachers can never be defeated (applause).

One of the outstanding characteristics of Lenin and of Lenin's best co-worker is this—they never allow themselves to be carried away with the joys of victory, and in moments of sharp struggle or defeat, they never get panicky, they never get excited, they never whine. The more difficult the moment, the more steadfast and steel-like and cool they stand in the midst of the storm until, with the great rising mass movement, they not only ride the storm but control the storm and bring the ship of the working class to port (loud applause).

Today, I received on your behalf the sentence against our great movement. I consider it a great honor (applause). At the same time, carrying our appeal from this court of the ruling class of America to the people of America, we must warn the people that this verdict of this case is only one incident in the drive of the American ruling class toward war, and especially in converting the present imperialist war into war against the Soviet Union. In this court today I was prohibited from speaking, except within the limits that were laid down by the judge. I observed those limits which he laid down, even though in the observation of those limits, I was constantly coming into collision with him. But what was it that the judge wanted above all to prevent me from speaking about in that court? The one thing above all that was prohibited from even being whispered there was the motive of the prosecution. A great deal was said about the motive of the defendant. But in order to discuss the motive of the prosecution, we have to get outside the courtroom. And while we still have this privilege of discussing outside the courtroom, let us make the most of it. It is not enough to say in a general way that the motive of this prosecution lies in the general campaign of our ruling class to prepare our country for war. That is true. We have to concretize it a little, a good deal more than that.

Since last summer, the powers that be have been preparing their drive against the Communist Party and we have been warning that this was only the opening gun of the drive against the whole labor movement and against American democracy. Up until last summer this drive was being carried on outside the administration of the Federal Government and was directed in the first place against the New Deal Administration. Since last August, a great change has come about. The drive is carried on through the administration because the New Deal lamb has laid down with the reactionary lion. Unity has been achieved. The lamb has been eaten and the lion stands now in the robes of the administration carrying out the policies of a generally united American bourgeoisie—united on the program to scrap the progressive social legislation of the New Deal, to revise the budget in favor of the economic royalists and against the people, to cut



EARL BROWDER as he addressed the mass meeting at Madison Square Garden Monday night. —Daily Worker Photo

down on all the social services and unemployed benefits and all the money saved thereby, by this economy at the expense of the people, to dump into a great program of war preparations.

That's what happened. A great shift of class forces and the crystallization of a great drive in a particular direction against the living standards of the people, against their civil rights and against their peace.

Up until the last months in which this change has taken place, the Communists were supporting the New Deal against the reactionary camp of the Republicans and the anti-New Deal Democrats. So long as the camp of reaction found any obstacle in the New Deal camp, we supported it. But when peace was made with the Economic Royalists, they could not carry us along with them. The whole progressive democratic bloc was broken up. We Communists were a part of that bloc. We never were officially recognized, of course. We were the poor relations, even though Governor Lehman of New York occupies his position instead of Thomas E. Dewey on account of the votes of the Communist Party. But we were a part of the progressive bloc that protected New Deal legislation against the assaults of the reactionaries before it was broken up by the surrender of the New Deal leadership and their passing into the camp of their former opponents. When these gentlemen thought that they could use the support of the Communists, we became almost respectable. Never quite respectable. Almost. They knew us then. They knew almost everything about us. One thing they did not know about us. They did not know that they could not handle us as servants when they betrayed the cause of the people. When we were in agreement on protecting New Deal legislation and a peace policy, these gentlemen were very glad to receive our support, and they don't want to arouse the masses. In the days when they did want to rouse the masses, we had the peculiar experience with them that we had to restrain them. They were ultra-leftist and very often we had to warn them that that kind of tactics is not good, you had better lay off of it. We were a sobering and restraining influence upon them. Just as now they need a sobering and restraining influence from another direction.

When the Governor of Michigan in 1938 was deserted by his own political machine and faced a stiff fight with the Republicans without a machine behind him, he was glad to get the support of the Communist Party in conducting his campaign for re-election. He will not deny it. He is a God-fearing man. He would not lie about it. He would not deny he had long intimate conferences with Communists as to how best to conduct his campaign for

Governor. But he lost his election by 2 per cent of the vote. We were not able to win the election for him. And he was a hero only for one campaign. After he was defeated, he saw a great light. He became convinced he had made a great mistake when he had failed to heed the advice of some of our "best families." He demonstrated he had learned his lesson and would be a good boy thereafter. And there was opened up the prospect for him to retire to the most exclusive old men's club in America. But before he could do that, he had to present certain guarantees. He had to present some "head on a charger" according to the ancient tradition. He had to seal his bargain, metaphorically speaking, with the blood of the associates who had tainted his past. That is one of the smaller angles to the sentence in the Federal District Court today.

Well, we never wasted any time weeping about those who have deserted from the fight, and surrendered to the enemy and entered into their service. As a matter of fact, we never had many illusions about these people. We had read our Marx and Lenin and had understood that while sections of the petty-bourgeoisie and some of the bourgeoisie may occupy progressive positions in certain historic moments—and when they do, we join forces with them for that moment against the reactionaries—we know it is in the very nature of these class forces that they cannot follow a consistent position from one year to another, for any long period, and rarely can occupy a consistent position from month to month except when they are solidified and led by their most reactionary section.

And that is what is taking place today. The trial today is the opening gun in a great campaign to curb and harness the labor movement. It belongs along with the campaign to scrap and hamstring the National Labor Relations Board, along with the war and hunger budget in Congress, and along with the campaign to "get" labor leaders, which is now broadening out. How rapidly this campaign is developing in our country we can note if we remember that a few months ago the newspapers never threatened any labor leaders except the CIO. But reading the World-Telegram editorial this afternoon—the leading editorial—it is directed to William Green and it says: William Green, your name is on the list, too. You come next. Well, that's only according to the well-known laws of class struggle. The only people who are surprised are the people to whom Marxism-Leninism is a closed book. If we want to be able to understand and to a certain degree to foresee events we must study the science and history of the workers, of the great masters of the science of history, which is the science of Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin. Yes, these temporary associates of ours in the democratic progressive bloc had gathered rather tentatively around progressive New Deal measures for a certain historical period. These former associates of ours don't need us anymore. What use are we to them now? When they were fighting for social betterment, well, they not only needed us to round up the people for these things, they even needed us often to help them draft their speeches. They didn't know how to do it. They don't need us for these things any more. They are not making that kind of speeches and they don't want to arouse the masses. In the days when they did want to rouse the masses, we had the peculiar experience with them that we had to restrain them. They were ultra-leftist and very often we had to warn them that that kind of tactics is not good, you had better lay off of it. We were a sobering and restraining influence upon them. Just as now they need a sobering and restraining influence from another direction.

That instability arises out of the very class nature of these people, constantly torn by contradictions, they have interests here and interests there, and they cannot be reconciled. The daughter-in-law may be married to a munitions family and there is a contradiction to it if we have a peace policy. Another member of the family may have entered the employ of their once greatest political rival. These contradictions have to be reconciled some way and the family and national unity have to be re-established some way, and how can it be done?

Well, a very touching unanimity is being built up now. But it is a unity that's directed against the welfare and peace of the people of America. And the more rapidly we shout this from the rooftops of the country, the less painful and difficult it is going to be the road which our country will have to travel in the stormy days ahead.

Yes, peace has been made between the economic royalists and their former chief critics. No more do we hear these glowing speeches which arouse the hope and enthusiasm of the masses of the people. Today the new hero, the new inspiration, the symbol of this unity is the figure of Alexander Hamilton who is edging out Thomas Jefferson. Thomas Jefferson made the great mistake of being carried away by enthusiasm for the French Revolution.

These are the things that show the road that is being prepared for our country by the gentlemen who occupy positions of power. These are the things that are threatening disaster for our people. The people will be asked to pay, but that's nothing compared with what you will have to pay unless we begin to get the expression of an answer to these things. How can we let the gentlemen in the seats of power know what the people are thinking and feeling? At this moment, unfortunately, the only organized expression of this is the Communist Party, and we are still quite small, weak. While we must build our Communist Party faster and stronger than ever, and build our Daily Worker more and more, stronger than ever—because the Daily Worker is just like air for us today, without it we cannot breath. But we must not be content with that. We must organize, find ways of giving expression to that great broad mass—the majority of the people who are not with us as Communists yet, but are absolutely at one with us to stop the reactionary campaign in this country, to bring back a social budget instead of a hunger budget and to keep us out of war. The majority of the people are with us in that.

We can and we must go to the people of America. On this message we don't want the monopoly of the effective struggle for peace. We will go to the people with this message and will organize around it—with our Party—a great mass people's peace party, a social party, a party of social budget instead of a hunger budget, a party of peace and prosperity for the people. That is what is needed now.

As a first little step towards that, I venture to think it might be a good idea to carry out this proposal to send me to Congress from the 14th Congressional District.

Some people have said that it is not practical. "What is the use of sending a Communist down there? He would only be a white crow, one among four or five hundred men. What could he do? It is not practical: If you want something practical, you must send a Democrat down there, or at least, a Republican."

That is a great mistake, speaking in purely practical terms. If you send a Democrat, the Administration will say: "That district is safe; we don't need to worry about that district." If you send a Republican, they will say: "Oh, gee, now we must buy this guy off and make him be good." But if you send a Communist, they will get all excited, will rush down and give you all the favors in the world in the 14th Congressional District.

The only way to get anything out of this administration is not to be safe; they give only to those who fight them. Fight the administration a little bit and you will get something out of it. And quite aside from this immediate practical proposition, if you want to vote for peace, the only possible way to do that is to vote Communist.

Well, it is getting late. When I came up here I didn't know what I would talk about. I have been so busily engaged otherwise, I didn't have time to prepare my speech. But I think, after all, long speeches are not necessary any more; events and issues are beginning to stand out so that they can be seen by the masses; you don't have to give long-winded explanations any more; the people see these events and issues. They understand that what they need is a voice to express it for them, an organization to rally them.

The people are going to march forward—and with the people will belong the victory. (Prolonged ovation.)

26,000 'Dailies' Go To 14th District Voters

Hundreds Respond to Call to Distribute Them at Aid Browder Drive; People of District Shocked by Harshness of Browder Verdict

Responding to an emergency call, hundreds of campaigners yesterday tackled the job of putting 26,000 copies of the Daily Worker into the hands of voters in the 14th Congressional District where Earl Browder is the candidate of the Communist Party for the House of Representatives.

By 5 P.M. some 150 volunteers had distributed 10,000 copies of the paper which contained the masterly summation of his own case which Browder delivered Monday to the jury which tried him on trumped-up technical charges of passport irregularity.

Campaigners who spread the Daily Worker in the campaign to reveal the real motives behind the prosecution of Browder report that everywhere they went they found the people aroused and indignant at the vindictive and high-handed manner in which Browder was given an unconditional sentence of 4 years in prison.

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Print Browder's Speeches In 500,000 Copies

A half million pamphlets containing Earl Browder's brilliant summation of his own case to the jury, and his impassioned speech at the Madison Square Garden Lenin Memorial Meeting, both published in the Daily Worker of Jan. 23 and 24, will be ready for distribution in a few days, it was announced yesterday by Workers Library Publishers.

The pamphlet will contain 32 pages and will be priced at two cents per copy.

Orders can be placed at once by writing to Workers Library Publishers, Post Office Box 148, Staten Island, New York City.

Need Funds Now to Pay For Browder's Appeal

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn
(Secretary, the Defense Committee for Civil Rights for Communists, 739 Broadway)

"The sentiments expressed by the voters of the 14th District are definite proof that over 85 per cent of the people are opposed to war.

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ers. That is tremendously necessary. The Federal Grand Jury in Washington threatens more indictments.

Earl Browder must be freed. That means that we must immediately finance an appeal to the United States District Court of Appeals. We have a wonderful legal case. The law and the constitution are on our side. But the appeal takes money. So we are appealing to every reader of the Daily Worker to help in this fight.

Yesterday Robert Minor, chairman of the committee, emphasized the need for loans to the bail fund to release arrested Communist lead-

Double Quota Of Signatures For Browder

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collected to place Browder on the ballot exceeds the maximum vote cast in previous elections for a Communist candidate in the District and is double the amount required.

Simultaneously with the filing of petitions, the news of Browder's conviction on a flimsy passport charge has aroused even greater interest in the campaign to send him to Congress.

The Browder campaign committee announced that it will release this week 50,000 copies of a folder entitled "Mr. Browder Goes to Washington" for wide distribution throughout the District.

Pending the appeal from the outrageous verdict of the Federal District Court, Browder will use his freedom to explain the issues involved in his frame-up and the assault upon the civil and democratic rights of the American people. His first public appearance before the people of the 14th Congressional District will be at a mass meeting Thursday evening, January 25th, at Henninger Hall, 314 E. 2nd St.

people throughout the country will be able to organize and carry on a more effective struggle."

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—Outlining their plans for a peace campaign "worthy of Earl Browder," delegates to a tri-state meeting of the Young Communist League here recently forwarded a letter to the Communist Party National Secretary assuring him that they will fight, as American youth has never fought before, for his complete and unconditional release.

The letter, signed by leaders of the Y.C.L. of Missouri, Wisconsin and Illinois, pledges:

"... Our full support to you, Comrade Browder, and through you to the National Committee of the C.P.U.S.A. We will fight for your unconditional release, for defense of civil liberties, for the social and economic needs of the working masses, against the imperialist war and for the defense of the Soviet Union."

"We shall do all in our power to unite them against any attempts of further militarization," it declared, "for an increased appropriation of funds for N.Y.A. and C.C.C., for the passage of the American Youth Act. We shall spread the truth about the great achievements of the Soviet Union under the leadership of Joseph Stalin."

"With you in the House to put the spotlight on the machinations of the agents of Wall Street, the

ANTI-TRUST ATTACK ON UNIONS SPREAD TO ILA, TEAMSTERS

In the latest sweeping application of the Sherman anti-trust laws by the administration against the trade union movement, a Federal Grand Jury yesterday indicted Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association and 10 other union officials.

The indicted union men, who also include representatives of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 282, are charged with violating the anti-trust laws in conspiring to prevent New York lumber dealers from receiving shipments of lumber by inter-state and foreign commerce.

The intensity of the attack upon labor itself was seen in the fact that the ILA, itself, two of its locals, No. 431 and No. 1195, and Local 282 of the I.B.T. are also named.

The indictment charges that the conspiracy began in October, 1939, and that it has been responsible for the holding up of \$2,000,000 worth of lumber shipments since that time.

CHARGE OF INDICTMENT

The object of the conspirators, the indictment states, was to force the employees of the lumber dealers involved to leave unions of their own choosing and members of the defendant unions.

In this manner the Department of Justice uses the pretext of defending the right of workers to choose their own union affiliation to spread its anti-trust act attack on all unions.

The union involved which is not named in the indictment is Local 104, United Retail and Wholesale Employees, CIO.

When this local began organizing the unorganized workers in the New York lumber industry its leaders applied to the AFL for a charter, but were ignored. They later were granted a charter by the CIO.

The charges against the longshoremen and teamsters were pressed by the New York Lumber Dealers Association and the Brooklyn Lumber Dealers Association. The indictment was handed up to Federal Judge Vincent L. Leibell.

The CIO union has working agreements with members of both employer organizations.

The conspiracy, it was charged in the indictment, was carried out to prevent employees of the companies from going to the docks, by blacklisting certain firms and by forcing certain trucking companies to also boycott these companies.

Union officials in addition to Ryan who were named in the indictment are:

ANTHONY JOHN CAMARDA, vice-president of Local 431; EDWARD ANTHONY JACOBS, president of Local 431, I.L.A.; EDMUND JOSEPH GATTI, organizer of Local 431; WILLIAM DANIEL McAVOY, organizer; JOSEPH GERALD MORABITO, business agent; JOHN JOSEPH O'BOURKE, President of Local 431, R.M.T.; JAMES FRANCIS McCARTHY, vice-president of Local 431; ANTHONY JOSEPH DUFFY, RAYMOND THOMAS HOLLAND and WILLIAM GERALD MONAHAN, business agents.

The maximum penalty for the offense charged is a year's imprisonment and a fine of \$5,000.

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House Stampede OK's Fund For Dies

Former New Dealers Toe Reactionary Line; 21 Vote Against It

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rush the Dies resolution to the floor.

All three of the administration supporters who are on the Dies Committee, Reps. Jerry Voorhis of California, Joseph Casey of Massachusetts and John J. Dempsey of New Mexico voted to continue the witch-hunt.

Opposing the committee were the following Congressmen:

Bradley of Pennsylvania, Coffey of Washington, Dunn of Pennsylvania, Thomas F. Ford of California, Fries of Illinois, Geyer of California, Hook of Michigan, Isaac of California, Keller of Illinois, McGranahan of Pennsylvania, McKeough of Illinois, Marantonio of New York, Mitchell of Illinois, O'Day of New York, Pierce of Oregon, Sabbath of Illinois, Schulte of Indiana, Shannon of Missouri, Tenerowicz of Michigan and Wallgren of Washington.

A possible settlement of the fight between the regularly elected leadership of the Manhattan American Labor Party and the Rose-Dubinsky-Waldman pro-war clique, with the rank and file of the party as victors, was seen as the latest development last night in the inner ALP struggle.

In a surprise announcement, Eugene J. Connally, whose election as New York County chairman is being contested, and Morris Watson, Chairman of the Progressive Committee to Rebuild the American Labor Party, said that Harry Greenberg, former New York County chairman, had suddenly agreed to a new county convention, to be held Thursday, Feb. 29.

They said that he could not help asking whether the willingness of leading New Dealers to accept this stipulation consenting to the election, was withdrawing his appeal from a recent decision by Supreme Court Justice Wasservogel upholding Connally, and had relinquished all rights to further appeals.

The stipulation is expected to be presented to the Appellate Division today so that an order may be signed setting Thursday, Feb. 29, as the date for the election.

MUST CALL CONVENTION

The controversy grew out of a County Convention held on Oct. 6, at which Connally was elected chairman after a futile attempt by Greenberg to adjourn the meeting to stop a vote.

The matter went to the courts.

Justice Wasservogel ordered a new election and appointed Hoffman impartial supervisor. Alex Rose, State Secretary, backing Greenberg, hailed the "victory" but ordered an appeal.

The Appellate Division upheld Wasservogel. Again Rose and Greenberg hailed the "victory" but took an appeal. The matter was to have been argued before the Court of Appeals this week.

"There can be no doubt," Connally and Watson stated last night, "that the New York County Committee, at the coming convention, will repeat its action of October 6 and elect a leadership acceptable to the membership."

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"It won't be dissident minorities that will take this country into war," Marantonio said. "It is the kind of hysteria that is generated by this committee."

Rep. John Coffee of Washington stated that he was unequivocally opposed to granting \$100,000 to the Dies Committee at a time when relief funds are being slashed by one-third.

DIES' APOLOGISTS

From Reps. Casey and Voorhis, two New Dealers who are members of the Dies Committee, came some criticism of the Dies Committee for being "unfair" in its procedure.

They apologized to the United Radio and Electrical Workers' Union for including it in the Dies Committee report in a list of CIO unions which are allegedly "Communist dominated."

Casey and Voorhis then proceeded to vote for the continuation of the committee. Both have in effect

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(Special to the Daily Worker)

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The tragic need for immediate action by Congress is sharply placed in a statement by the local Youth Congress which states:

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Steamroller Blocks Council Social Bills

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In line with old Tammany policies, which the majority is attempting to saddle on the new Council, there was no discussion of vital social problems confronting the city.

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A Labor Party resolution calling for a Council committee of five to investigate the milk industry and formulate a plan for municipal processing and distribution of milk and milk products was referred to the committee on rules.

BLOCKED BY CASHMORE

Councilman Salvatore Nino LaBarre, asked immediate consideration of the resolution, but action was blocked by the objection of John Cashmore, vice-chairman.

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The 'Fairness' Of Browder's Persecutors

The Wall Street press is unanimous in gloating over the conviction and four-year prison sentence handed Earl Browder on a trivial technicality. But at the same time the press is afraid that the masses of people will not join them in cheering this savage conviction. That is the meaning of all the editorials insisting that the trial was so "fair," that the judge, jury and prosecutor were all models of "fairness."

The press knows that the American people were not born yesterday. The people remember Tom Mooney, Sacco and Vanzetti, and the Scottsboro boys. Large sections of the people know from experience what a mockery capitalist justice can be—especially when there are big political issues at stake.

The press wants to confine all discussion of the case to the technicalities which served as the pretext for the prosecution of the Communist leader. For they know that the people are beginning to realize that these technicalities were just a smoke screen to cover up the political issues upon which the government dares not openly prosecute the Communist Party.

The World-Telegram says that a "technically kept out of the trial all reference" to the issues of Browder's political activity. Here, from the mouth of the Wall Street press, is unwitting admission that Browder was really being tried for his political ideas. For though the political issues were carefully kept in the background in the trial itself, the U. S. Attorney and the press cooperated in trying and convicting Browder on the political issues in the newspaper columns before the actual trial began.

Furthermore, the harshness of the prison sentence—four years plus a fine of \$2,000—is itself complete proof that the technicalities involved were only a disguise. Look at the recent case of Stephen Paine, former head of the Wall Street brokerage house of Paine, Webber and Co., prosecuted by the same U. S. Attorney Cahill who prosecuted Browder, convicted of defrauding small investors of a million and a quarter dollars, and sentenced with the agreement of the U. S. Attorney to one year and a day! If looting gets one year, what is a four-year sentence for? For a passport technicality? It is the punishment for the crime of fighting against the war program of the Roosevelt Administration!

The desperate efforts of the press to justify the conviction of Browder, are aimed at stemming the mass movement which it sees on the horizon and which was shadowed by the tremendous demonstration for the Communist leader at Madison Square Garden a few hours after the vicious sentence was pronounced.

The press which now shouts that Browder received a "fair" trial, is the same press which cheered the convictions of Mooney, Sacco and Vanzetti and the Scottsboro Boys and which was compelled years later to change its tune somewhat only by the mounting anger of the people.

The people cannot permit the name of Browder to be added to that list of victims of capitalist injustice. Register your protests now. Help elect Browder to Congress. Aid in circulating his masterly address to the jury and his Madison Square Garden speech.

The deep significance of the Browder conviction is dawning upon the American people. It is to be found in Browder's own words to the jury:

"I am not one to argue that this case is not serious. I would emphasize the serious consequences, not for myself—which, after all, however important it may be for me, is incidental—but for the general structure of American civil liberties, of the rights of American labor, and the American working people."

Dies Needs Investigating—Not Funds

On the very day that the House Rules Committee voted to continue the Dies Committee, further sensational evidence was adduced showing that this un-American outfit ought to be ended as a menace to the people.

Rep. Frank Hook, of Michigan, yesterday brought forth documentary information before the Rules Committee linking Dies with Coughlin's terrorist "Christian Front" and with the anti-Semitic Silver Shirts, headed by the fascist William Dudley Pelley. He charged that Merwin K. Hart, chairman of the reactionary New York State Economic Council and bitter foe of all social legislation, was liaison man between Dies' recent Madison Square Garden meeting and the Front.

This shows why Dies in his last report

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I would like to know what all you people are doing here tonight?

Haven't you read in the capitalist papers that the Communist Party has been destroyed?

Comrades, I wish to join my voice to yours in protesting against the outrageous conviction and barbarous sentence that has been passed today against our Comrade Browder. He has been victimized because of his militant opposition to the war. I hope the workers of New York, in the coming election, will make proper reply by sending Comrade Browder to Washington.

The war between the Allies and Germany going on in Europe is an imperialist war. It is a war between great capitalist powers for markets, spheres of influence, colonies and similar imperialist objectives; and the workers have no interest in it except to bring it to as speedy a conclusion as possible. All the capitalist powers involved are guilty for bringing this war to pass.

But what perhaps we should be most interested in is the war guilt of the Roosevelt Administration. And it is a heavy guilt. When the Soviet Union a few years ago raised the slogan of an international peace front of all the democratic peoples to stop the fascist aggressors, it thereby proposed a plan that would have staved off, if not actually prevented the great imperialist war that is now upon us. It was the international duty of the American government had it been genuinely for peace, to collaborate with the U.S.S.R. in that movement. But no such cooperation was had. Roosevelt went about many brave statements about "quarantining the aggressors" and to "use all methods short of war," but he never gave two cents worth of real support to the Soviet Union in the building of the great peace front against war. Nor would he halt the supplies of war munitions to Japan. This negative attitude was largely responsible for the eventual outbreak of the war.

In the great struggle to establish the international peace front, the turning point was Spain. The fight of the Loyalist government to beat back the fascist invaders was a historical struggle—a decisive page in modern world history. If that struggle had been won it would have been a major victory for the forces of democracy all over the world, and we would have had an entirely different international situation at the present time. But just as Roosevelt failed to give any support to the building of an international peace front, so also he refused to assist the struggle for democracy in Spain. Yes, worse—Roosevelt went out of his way to betray, to sabotage, to defeat the struggle for democracy in Spain. For no sooner was the Spanish revolt by Franco begun than Roosevelt rushed to have an arms embargo placed against the regularly elected Republican Government in Spain, denying it its legal rights to buy arms with which to protect itself. And hardly had the war come to an end that the President of the U. S. hastened to give recognition to the fascist butcher—Franco. I doubt if there was a single act committed by any of the capitalist governments, either England or France or the United States, that did more to defeat the Loyalists than Roosevelt's arms embargo against the Spanish government. Once the Spanish government was defeated the door was wide open for the present war. The fascists had won a great victory, one that placed Europe right on the path to the present war. The Roosevelt Administration, therefore, must bear a heavy share of the blame for the launching of the war that now curses Europe.

After seeing how much Roosevelt contributed towards starting this imperialist war, now let us see what is the attitude of his government towards that war, now that it is under way. I think I can state it in just a few words—the policy of the Roosevelt government is to take us into this war as fast and as far as the great capitalists of this country wish. And the only way that we will keep from being lead or pushed into the war by President Roosevelt, will be by a mass resistance of the American people to his every move leading towards war. The Roosevelt government is not simply preparing for war—it is taking our country actually into the war, step by step. What else was the meaning of lifting the arms embargo? How quick Roosevelt was to place the embargo against democratic Spain and how quick to abolish that embargo as soon as Great Britain and France became involved in war. The lifting of the embargo was an unneutral act, an act definitely leading the United States into this war, by giving immediate and possibly even decisive aid to one side of the imperialist struggle.

In the matter of Finland also,

the policy of the American government is a war policy and you can't make anything else out of it. If it had not been for the instigation of



William Z. Foster as he addressed the mass meeting at Madison Square Garden Monday night.

—Daily Worker Photo

the White Guard Finnish Government by the United States, its present conflict with the U. S. S. R. would not exist. Dorothy Thompson, yesterday or the day before, in her great disappointment over the fact that the American people are not going to permit President Roosevelt to send his proposed sixty million dollars to White Guard Finland, let the cat out of the bag when she said, "We have led Finland on and now we are going to let it down." That is precisely the situation. Finland has been led on by the American government to fight the Soviet Union, just as it has been led on by the British and French governments. The basic policy of the American government regarding Finland has been to spread the war, yes, and to draw the American people, step after step, closer to the brink of it.

Now let me cite another point of American policy that aims at war—the attitude of the United States toward the Soviet Union. What do you make out of that? The Soviet Government has always wanted to cooperate with the United States Government to help maintain world peace. It is a friendly government; yet the Roosevelt Administration has recently deliberately picked quarrels with the Soviet Union, first, on the City of Flint question, and then regarding Finland. Now we all know that if the great capitalist bankers of the world have one objective in common more than anything else it is to develop a general capitalist war against the Soviet Union. President Roosevelt's anti-Soviet policies show clearly that he has become one of the leaders in laying the basis for such a war against the Soviet Union.

But it is not only in its foreign policy that the United States is becoming involved in the war. Its whole domestic policy, as well, is being oriented upon preparations for war. Take the recent budget that President Roosevelt submitted to Congress. What an outrageous proposition. It is a budget of hunger and war. What has become of all the New Deal talk about achieving prosperity through priming the industrial pump that we heard during the last three of four years? It is all thrown overboard. Now they are going to make prosperity on the basis of war orders. This is the policy of Wall Street, and it has also become the policy of the Roosevelt administration.

In the budget proposed by President Roosevelt one billion dollars is cut off from the WPA, CCC, National Youth Administration, and all sorts of social services, while a half billion dollars is added to the already overwhelming military appropriations. Cannons instead of butter. Preparations for war—what else is all this? These are not idle military preparations, let me assure you. If we may judge by the present foreign policy of the Roosevelt Administration, those big battleships and cannons they are constructing will soon be put to use in Europe, unless the American people are alert this outrageous M-Plan will be fastened upon our neck.

As a further preparation for war President Roosevelt is also calling for national unity. Now what does he mean by national unity? Who is this national unity going to be with and who will dictate its policies? Well, it is aimed to be an unholy alliance between the progressive forces and the most reactionary elements in the United States. Nothing good for the workers and other toilers can possibly come from such a fake unity. How far President Roosevelt has gone in this respect is illustrated by his recent Jackson Day dinner. A year ago, at a similar celebration, Roosevelt stated that the Democratic Party must be a party of militant liberalism. But this year, at the Jackson Day dinner, he invites the Republicans to come and sit at the table, and he extends the olive branch to the worst reactionaries in the country. The significance of this is that President Roosevelt has come to an agreement with these people on the basis of a war policy, and he is trying to rope the workers of the country into participation in this so-called national unity that would paralyze their resistance to the war-makers.

The substance of what I have been saying so far is, first, that the American Government has a heavy responsibility for the imperialist war that is already in existence and second, that President Roosevelt is moving step by step to take the American people into the war. The point I want particularly to impress upon you is that unless we fight against this program we will find ourselves involved in the war. We have read in the newspapers that according to the Gallup Poll, 96 per cent of the American people are against war. But we must not be misled by these figures. It is true, the vast masses are opposed to war

but this in itself is not enough. This great anti-war sentiment must be educated and organized. The only way the war-mongers can be defeated is by fighting against each and every step being taken by them and the government leading in the direction of war.

Here, I haven't time to outline a complete anti-war program; but one thing we must do is stop the war loan to Finland. We don't want to send money to help a fascist outfit fight against the Soviet Union.

They are saying that this is a war in defense of democracy. But Finland has some peculiar friends indeed for a democratic country.

For example, the head of the White Guard military force, Baron Mannerheim butchered 20,000 Finnish workers and his leading officer, General Wallenius, is the head of the fascist movement in Finland.

Then there is a gentleman you know quite well, who is also very

much a friend of "poor, little, democratic" Finland—Mr. Mussolini of Italy.

Another great friend of Finland is the Tory Chamberlain of England. Yes, and Finnish White Guard "democracy" has some friends here also. Mr. Hoover among others. I would like to know where was Mr. Hoover, the great friend of democracy, when the Spanish people were making their heroic fight for democracy?

Why didn't his great humanitarian heart bleed when tens of thousands of Spaniards in Barcelona were being butchered by fascist airplanes?

The People Have Just Begun to Fight

By William L. Patterson

FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT has contributed most to the momentary defeat of the people's mandate. He floated their mandate. The economic royalists marshalled their forces as the fireside chats of the President lulled the people into a false sense of security and hope.

"We have just begun to fight," reflected the will of the people and their temper. But Roosevelt's words were never given practical political content. Words were for him a beginning and an end. He offered no practical organizational proposals for people's struggles. He charted no active political course. "We have just begun to fight" were the words of the people but the voice belonged to a siren from Big Business.

Roosevelt's call for peace made in Chicago stirred a waiting world to the quick. But the President stopped short. Aid went to the enemies of peace and not its friends. Ethiopia, Spain, Austria and Czechoslovakia are the bloody victims of a war-mad imperialist world because our President talked when action was necessary and when he acted it proved contrary to his talk.

The growth of the war into an imperialist war, into a war of intervention against the Soviet Union, is a defeat for the people of the world. The American people suffer grievously because the economic royalists have so much in profits to gain from war, that human rights must be surrendered, that property rights might flourish. These rules of our industrial life seek to crush all opposition to war.

Nine millions of unemployed, ignored in a practical sense in the message of the President to the people, constitutes a defeat for the people. And the burden of aiding these jobless men and women falls on the people as added weight.

The people were defeated when the appropriation for war—for their death—is greater than the appropriation for relief—for their life. When millions of Americans are in dire need of medical attention and none is provided, it is not their government that speaks, but the government of their enemies. Theirs is a momentary set-back.

When anti-sabotage laws are passed, and anti-lynching laws are blocked the people suffer. And when in the face of these sharp blows struck against organized and unorganized labor and the farmers the President makes no concrete move to mobilize the people to stop the march of reaction then the people must move to save themselves.

In defeat there are the essentials of victory however. The people have been moved to political action as never before. They have created and drawn into action new reserves. They retreat but to take up stronger positions. They have truly just begun to fight. But the rear-guard must fight fiercely and heroically that there shall be no rout.

The people have seen who forced the burdens of high prices on their shoulders. Only Wall Street can raise the price of foodstuffs. Only the people can force the lowering of those prices. Here is the tactic of the people's counter-offensive. This is the people's war and it can be the Wall Street Waterloo.

Defeats are inevitable in the struggle of any people for democracy. History is proof of that. In every country, and in every age, the forward surge of the people toward peace and democracy have at some time been momentarily halted.

We have known our Valley Forges and our Bull Runs. But Washington's ragged and shoeless heroes went on to victory. Lincoln found his Grant. We became a free and independent nation. We remain a nation, one and indivisible. A people are steeled in defeat as they are enthused in victory.

No defeat of a people is decisive. No defeat of the people is of an enduring character.

When the history of this period is written by a truly democratic American, it will be labelled "The era of Roosevelt reaction."

White native-born America, if it has read the story of Southern conditions, with its head and not its prejudices, knows better today that its problems are similar to those confronting black America, and the foreign born. The people's fight is against the anti-alien bills and for the anti-lynching bill.

National unity can only mean the unity of the American people nationally against nationally and internationally united reaction.

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Championship Fight at Garden Over WJZ at 10

Ethe Barrymore heads All-Star Cast in "Farm of Three Echoes," on Star Theatre over WABC at 9 tonight.

Description of 15-round Welterweight Championship fight between Henry Armstrong and Pedro Montanez from Madison Square Garden over WJZ at 10 P.M.

MORNING

8:45-WNYC—News
WABC—Greenfield Village Choir
8:55-WNYC—Around the World with Hal Draper
9:15-WABC—W.A. P. News

9:00-WNYC—Masterwork Hour
WEAF—Masterwork Hour
WEAF—Condensed News
WZN—Woman of Tomorrow
WNYC—Country Hour

9:05-WEAF—News About Women
9:15-WABC—American School of the Air, New Frontiers

9:30-WABC—Book Club
WGB—News of Women

9:45-WIN—U. P. News
10:00-WNYC—Your Child

10:15-WNYC—Arts Recital

10:30-WIN—Poly the Shopper

11:00-WNYC—Program for Women

WGN—News of Women

11:15-WNYC—Artist Recital

11:30-WNYC—You and Your Health

AFTERNOON

12:00-WIN—U. P. News

12:15-WNEW—News of Stage and Screen

12:30-WABC—Sports News

WHN—"Microphone in the Sky"

12:45-WRAF—Condensed News

1:00-WABC—Sports Quiz Club

1:15-WNYC—Music and Milestones

1:30-WABC—Streaming Magazine of the Month

1:45-WABC—Just Recital

2:00-WABC—Music for Young People, Conducted by Mary Van Doren

WINC—News

2:15-WRN—Opera Hour

2:45-WMCA—News of History

3:00-WABC—Readers' Almanac, from New York University

3:30-WOV—"Little Red School House"

WABC—News

3:45-WABC—Education Forum

4:45-WEAF—Young People's Concert in Cooperation with New York Public Library

WABC—Lester Leiberman in Hollywood

WNYC—Social Security Board Program

5:45-WRN—News

6:00-WEAF—Listeners' Corner

WOR—Uncle Don WJZ—U. P. News

WABC—Early Evening News

WZN—Louther Lehman Remembers

6:15-WEAF—A. P. News

WABC—Second Chapter in the Life of a Marxist, Continued

6:30-WOR—Trans-Radio News

Fine Exhibit Of Siqueiros Paintings

By Ray King

In his art, as in everything else, David Alfaro Siqueiros is a unique personality, imaginative, vigorous and intensely original. Together with Orozco and Rivera, he has been considered one of the three finest artists of the so-called Mexican Renaissance. In recent years Rivera has begun to come apart at the seams until today he is regarded with contempt by artists and intelligent public alike because of his machine-like production of pretty pictures for the tourist trade. That leaves Orozco and Siqueiros. Orozco, too, has not gone unimpaired. He is still the greatest artist of the Western Hemisphere although he has become a hater of humanity of late and his art is beginning to turn sick.

Siqueiros is too alive and too full of vital enthusiasm to turn sour. Of the original Mexican Trio he is the only one to continue to develop new ideas. In his current show at the Pierre Matisse Gallery, 51 East 57th Street, he further explores the possibilities of his pet medium, duco paint applied with air gun, brush and palette knife.

Best Showing Of Paintings

This is best showing of Siqueiros' work I have ever seen. He has gained in formal beauty: in the past some of his work was too drab and monochromatic. He still has that terrifying power which always marks him; now, however, his work is more attractive in color and design. "Concentration" and "Plastic Exercise" are abstract in handling and completely successful because they never lose the living subject; on the contrary they intensify it. "The Sob" is a study in human misery: "Sleep" shows the artist in one of his tender moods: "Self-Portrait" is as strong and original a take-off as you will ever see.

One minor suggestion for Siqueiros: varnish is badly needed for most of the pictures. Aside from that little point it is the most interesting show in town at the moment.

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STUDY IN HUMAN MISERY



"The Sob" by David Alfaro Siqueiros, now on exhibit at the Pierre Matisse Gallery, East 57th Street.

Teachers Union Pleads for Schools in 'Child Story'

CHILD STORY, a Living Newspaper by Joel and Alan Borden. Directed by Zachary Serwer. Music by Louis Kleinman. Presented at the New School for Social Research, Saturday night, January 20th.

By Bernard Maxwell

"Child Story," the New York Teachers' Union living newspaper, which has already seen a half dozen performances in Manhattan is easily one of the most thoughtful and stimulating labor dramas that this writer has seen in many a moon. Yet perhaps it is incorrect to label "Child Story" as labor drama, except that it is the special creation of a score or more of bona-fide Teachers' Union members. In terms of its audience appeal, however, this living newspaper is by no means solely confined to workers' audiences; it has a statement that is as broadly appealing and urgent as that of a child in distress, crying out for aid.

For "Child Story" is the dramatic life of Father Knickerbocker's children in distress. It is the story of almost one million children in the public school system of the world's wealthiest metropolis. It is the story of almost one million children who are getting a shabby deal from the reactionary budget-cutters who recently lopped \$5,300,000 off the city educational budget and who are responsible for lack of proper educational facilities for thousands of our citizens of tomorrow.

Playwrights Joel and Alan Borden use the Living Newspaper technique to tell their story, and thereby they accomplish two things. They carry on in their use of the Living Newspaper one of the richest heritages of the murdered Federal Theatre projects. In so doing they prove in practice that the Congressional ax-wielders who struck a body blow at American culture did not wipe out the ineffacable contributions of the theatre projects. Today these contributions of techniques and personnel are being nurtured and developed by the progressive theatre. But that is another story.

Using the simplest of all possible properties and settings, plus a handful of spotlights and bare platforms, all skillfully contrived by technicians David Arkin and Sarah Weingart, "Child Story" in one hour gives a candid camera survey of our educational set-up in New York. It is a survey a skilled speaker would take a full evening to achieve, and probably with far less effectiveness. Here we see overcrowding in the classrooms and all the attendant evils: children cramped and doubled up in their seats and unable to study; talented youngsters passed over by overworked instructors; maladjusted students and embryo criminals whose special problems must be ignored in classes of forty and fifty.

Advance orders indicate that Jerome's new pamphlet on Social Democracy will receive an unusually wide distribution.

AT PARAMOUNT



"Remember the Night" holds over for a second week on Broadway with Barbara Stanwyck and Fred MacMurray.

ERIC MUNX

Steinbeck Book Is Smash Hit Despite Censor

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Cheated flames: Most of us know by this time that the proposed burning of three copies of "The Grapes of Wrath" was rescinded by the East St. Louis Public Library Board, due to national protest against this fascist act. The vote was six to two to save them from destruction by fire and place them on the "adults only" shelf of the library.

What is not generally known, however, are the reasons why two of the board members held to the original decision. John Maher, one of the members, questioned the sociological value of the book and said, "These people cannot be helped, as reading the book won't help any."

Mr. W. H. Matlack, a prominent St. Louis clubman, said that the book "is all the way through." Adding, "Its historical value has been disproved. 'Gone With the Wind' had historical value." Readers of the Daily Worker can rebut these lies as well as the writer, so carry on.

Grape Juice: The Grapes of Wrath finished up 1939 with the amazing record of 300,000 sold through the regular book trade in a little over eight months. It was NOT a Literary Guild or Book-of-the-Month selection—for obvious reasons. The 1940 sales will probably keep up at a high rate due to the early release of the picture. No cheaper edition is planned as yet.

The film will open at the Rivoli today; and openings will follow rapidly in other important cities. Viking Publishers declare that reports from Hollywood appear to ally fears that Steinbeck's novel might be spoiled in the film version and instead bear out the producer's highest claims for the picture. Dorothy Parker, who saw it in preview, is reported to have called it the greatest picture she has ever seen. And Mr. Steinbeck has given it his unqualified approval.

The passing of Heywood Brown brings to my mind an event during the Wisconsin News strike against Hearst, which was won after a bitter fight. Brown, as leader of the newly organized Newspaper Guild, came to Milwaukee to see how his boys and girls were getting along. He was arrested on the picket line by Mayor Hoan's Socialist police force. A tremendous mass demonstration was immediately organized and marched from the Hearst plant to the Safety Building (ironical name) where Brown was again imprisoned. There, they were again attacked by the police, beaten and arrested. Retiring to a hall opposite the prison, they held a tumultuous mass meeting with workers pouring in from all over the city. Bail was raised and Brown was finally released with other strikers.

The hall being too small by this time, the meeting adjourned to the vast expanse of steps before the Milwaukee Auditorium; the square becoming quickly filled with workers. Brown then made a memorable speech about the organization of white-collar workers in alliance with manual workers and wrily remarked that apparently Hearst and his old friends (the Socialists) didn't like him.

Stage Notes

Sidney Kingsley's play, "The World We Make" will close after its performance of this Saturday evening, Jan. 27. The play opened at the Guild Theatre on Nov. 20, and will have played 80 performances.

The Kingsley play has been forced to leave the Guild Theatre at the end of this week through the Guild's necessity to use its own house to shelter "The Time of Your Life," which is forced to vacate the Booth after this week.

Efforts to move "The World We Make" to another Broadway Theatre in order to continue a run that has attracted considerable popular support were thwarted by the difficulty of finding a theatre with a stage big enough to accommodate the large scenic production involved, and by the heavy expense of dismantling and re-setting up that production.

Cheering section, please go into action and we mean lots of it. We are pleased to announce the discontinuance of "Lispin" (Eugene Lyons). This may be temporary but we can make it permanent.

Two of the better programs on the air are ringing down their final curtains. "What's Art, to Me," the art forums conducted by the Museum of Modern Art heard over WABC Saturday evenings at 6:30 and "Galant American Women" heard over WJZ Tuesday evenings at 2 are being discontinued. We're sorry to see these programs leave the air and we hope that popular guest will bring them back.

March of Time Aids Anti-Soviet War Drive

By David Platt

The new March of Time "Republic of Finland" adds its two cents to the world-wide campaign of vilification of the Soviet Union. The butcher Mannerheim, Hjalmar Procopio, Finland's minister to the United States and Herbert Hoover are the heroes of this sinister comedy.

The White Guard Procopio whose hands are stained with the blood of those who perished in the Finnish counter-revolution of 1919 is shown appealing to the United States for arms and munitions on the ground that Finland has always paid its war debts. That these debts were originally loans by the United States to help Finland's White Guards wreck the People's Government and wipe out the working population of Finland is not reported in the March of Time.

"The destroyer of Finland, Democracy, Baron Mannerheim, is portrayed as the savior of Finland in 1919 and the great hope of Democracy in 1940. The March of Time has few convincing pictures to support its argument that the Finnish regime has been democratically minded all these years and has to rely mostly on its commentary.

On The Score Board

By Lester Rodney

JUST AS a matter of acoustics for the moment—in all the years since the new Madison Square Garden has been up, my ear has caught practically every kind of roar of the crowd you could name—it may sound unlikely but after a while you can actually rate and compare the strength and volume of the roar—but for the knockout punch, last-minute basket in overtime or the last lap sprint that wins at the tape—the Garden is just so big and you can get just so many people in it and the roar of one group of 20,000 people can unmistakably rock the eardrum and vibrate the whole structure more than the full roar of another group of 20,000 on another night—with all roaring. So, and this is purely for the moment a matter of the physical amount and intensity of the noise, there never was in the history of the new Garden a roar that compared with that which went up Monday night when Earl Browder began mounting the steps to the platform. None I recall that even came anywhere near it. Either in a given high moment of sound, or in sustained, intense vibrancy. None anywhere near it. Just as a matter of acoustics for the moment...

ADVICES FROM the Coast tell of the great reception KENNY Washington is getting with the touring professional football team. It's a team of seniors and recent grads that seems past college affiliations as well as the discrimination which Kenny met with from the pro grid moguls. Among the boys are Doyle Nave, Harry Smith and Fisk of the USC Rose Bowl team that was almost kept out of there by Kenny's greatness. Plus boys like Vic Botari of last year's California team, Strode and Frawley of UCLA, Zimmerman of San Jose State and Whitey Smith of St. Mary's. Kenny recently set a Los Angeles crowd on its ear with an amazing 102 yard run for a touchdown. San Francisco, where militant labor boycotted the game in which Kenny was excluded, will get its first look at the great Negro triple threat on February 4th when he leads a team of stars from almost all the colleges on the Coast into a benefit game for the aid of needy disabled veterans of the first imperialist war. You can bet that Kenny & the other kids out there won't have anything to do with any phony Hoover benefits leading to our entry into the second imperialist war. Like boxers, basketball players and scribes, they know what time it is where Apple Herbie and his "humanitarianism" are concerned. Incidentally, if popular songs are still "eing dedicated," how about dedicating that "I Didn't Know What Time It Was" to those few American athletes who have been suckered into performing for the Hoover crowd to aid Butch Mannerheim (short for Butcher), and the hoped for "crusade" against the Soviet Union.

AND ANOTHER DiMaggio! This one is 18-year-old San Salvatore DiMaggio, a young fisherman from Monterey, California. San Salvatore wrote Lefty O'Doul, manager of the San Francisco Seals, that he was a cousin of Joe, Vince and Dom, and had a good record in semi-pro ball. O'Doul signed him for a spring trial sight unseen. The name got him. Like his illustrious cousins, San Salvatore starts as a shortstop. The three brothers were converted into outfielders to make the most of their speed afoot and projectile arms. If the newcomer makes good you'll see a fleet of scouts out along the California coast looking for DiMaggios in oilskins.

IT'S A HELL of a fight to try predicting—this Armstrong-Montanez thing at the Garden tonight. What with the odds ridiculously cockeyed against a great little bantam like Pedro, who has won 52 out of his 54 fights here, more than half of them by knockout, the temptation from the practical side is strong to pick the hard-hitting Puerto Rican. Sentimentally too, if it were any other fighter than my good friend Henry Armstrong holding the welterweight title in there for Pedro to try at, I'd be pulling for the talented and unlucky Montanez to come through. But leaving sentimental considerations out of the ring where they should be in making a selection (what solemn nonsense these "selections" are... as though anyone really knows who's going to win!) it looks like Armstrong by a decision after a terrific battle. Henry HAS BEEN hitting harder and sharper and showing more pep and fire in training for this one than we've seen him in quite a while. And when Armstrong is even close to the form he showed in winning 37 straight fights and three world titles, there's not a little fighter ever lived, let alone the very good Montanez today, who could beat him.

THERE'S UNION talk in the baseball lair. On the air, literally, with Bill Stern's broadcast recently taking cognizance of the growing consciousness of the one-sidedness of the contracts among the athletes since Judge Landis bust up the Detroit gang. It's a funny thing about Landis. His move is basically part of fight within the top crust of the baseball world in which neither side really is primarily concerned with the player getting his due. You might call it the chain stores vs. the independents. The Judge's vigorous support of the latter against the former has just happened to have a beneficial effect for the players at the moment, but much more important, has inevitably focussed attention on and laid bare for all to see, the major evil. The ball players are starting to move, and before they stop they can move a long, long way towards making the great game of baseball more truly America's National Pastime.

WHAT'S ON

RATES: What's On notices for the daily and Sunday Worker are \$25 per line (6 words) to a link—3 lines minimum.

DEADLINE: Daily at 12 Noon. Far Sunday, 5 P.M. Friday.

Tonight

WEDNESDAY MUSICALES—Analysis of the Brahms' Clarinet Quintet and Beethoven's Kreutzer Sonata. 8:30 P.M., Metropolitan Music School, 65 E. 12th St., N.Y.C.

FILM FESTIVAL: The River, March of Time—Revised Problem, America Marches On (Talkies). Lecture and discussion. 8:30 P.M. 28c. Royal Club, 3017 Grand Concourse, Bronx. Ausp. Concourse Bldg., ALFD.

Philadelphia, Pa.

REGISTRATIONS still being taken this week for courses at the Workers school. Classes close Friday. 1215 Walnut St.

Newark, N. J.

FORUM—EDWIN ROLFE, "The War and the Liberals." Sunday, Jan. 28, 8:30 P.M. 712 High St. Only 50c. Next: James E. Allen.

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Card Hurler Stopped Flag Winners When It Hurt

Only 4 National League pitchers succeeded in pitching 3 complete games against the champion Cincinnati Reds in the course of the Centennial season and only 2 achieved the proud distinction of beating the pennant-winners four times.

Fiddler McGee, of the St. Louis Cardinals, wasn't represented in either of these brackets but in analyzing the work of rival National League pitchers against Deacon McKeek's flag-hunting host, Brother Tom Slope, baseball classicist of the Cincinnati Post, pins a very special rosette on the blond Redbird mound ace from Batchtown, Ill.

McGee started 3 games against the Reds and won 2 of them. Both his victories were shutouts, identical scores, incidentally, 4 to 0, a 6-hitter Labor Day, with the Cards sizzling hot on the pennant trail, and a 4-hitter Wednesday, Sept. 27, with Crosley Field jammed tight with royal Red roosters gathered in the hope of seeing Cincy clinch the crown.

Thanks to Fiddler Bill and his 4-hit kalsomine job, the Cards posted the pennant-clinching until the following day. Curt Davis, the Fiddler's teammate, beat the Reds 4 times in the course of the year. Bill Lohrman, of the Giants, had 4 decisions over them, too. Pasreau, Root and Giumber each registered 3 verdicts over the champs.

PLAYWRITING: Dialectical approach: scientific method; new classes, Form Circle 8-8326, ask for Anna Mercer.

SCHOOL REGISTRATION

WEDNESDAY MUSICALES—Analysis of the Brahms' Clarinet Quintet and Beethoven's Kreutzer Sonata. 8:30 P.M., Metropolitan Music School, 65 E. 12th St., N.Y.C.

FILM FESTIVAL: The River, March of Time—Revised Problem, America Marches On (Talkies). Lecture and discussion. 8:30 P.M. 28c. Royal Club, 3017 Grand Concourse, Bronx. Ausp. Concourse Bldg., ALFD.

Philadelphia, Pa.

REGISTRATIONS still being taken this week for courses at the Workers school. Classes close Friday. 1215 Walnut St.

Newark, N. J.

FORUM—EDWIN ROLFE, "The War and the Liberals." Sunday, Jan. 28, 8:30 P.M. 712 High St. Only 50c. Next: James E. Allen.

MUSIC: Spring term registration, instrumental, vocal and theoretical. Catalogue available. 61 E. 12th St. Algonquin 4-2784.

LITTLE LEFTY

HERE COMES TENPERCENT'S GANG OF GOWILLAS! WUN FOR YOUR LIVES!

AND THERE'S A MILLION OF EM!

FELLERS -- WE'RE OUT-NUMBERED FIVE TO ONE!

LET'S SEE NOW-- IT WOULD BE PLUMB SILLY TO FIGHT OUT IN THE OPEN--

FELLERS, WE SHOULD'VE GONE TO THE SLAUGHTER-HOUSE DIRECT AND SAVED A LOT OF TIME!

OH-OH!

ZZZZUP!

WOW! WHAT AN IDEA! I've got it!

Off the Backboard

Big Game of the Year at the Ram Gym Today— But It's Behind Closed Door—Beenders Clinches LIU Starting Spot Against Michigan State

Hardly anybody at all will see what figures to be one of the hottest local scraps of the season. It's a natural that would pack the Garden but LIU will scrimmage with Fordham behind closed doors at the Ram gym today.

It's LIU's final hard workout before tackling powerful Michigan State in the Garden feature Friday night. Coach Clair Bee has been drilling the boys on defensive jobs to stop the fast-breaking Spartans.

State's one-handed tossers are a particular worry to LIU, which has had trouble with one-handers all season.

Meanwhile Bee has made a sharp upshift, which sees sophomore Hank Schwartz.

Pep rally at St. Francis today to lift the Terriers for their tills with Catholic U. in Washington tomorrow night and La Salle in Philly Saturday night.

High-light in Monday night scores was the 40-36 win little Ball State turned in over DePauw. Ball State is an untouted small school powerhouse... good future bet for a National Invitation Toumey spot...

How Henry and Pedro Shape Up

ARMSTRONG MONTANEZ

27 years old ... Age 25 years old

138 pounds ... Weight 145 pounds

5 ft. 9 1/4 in. ... Height 5 ft. 6 in.

44 inches ... Chest 39 1/2 inches

36 inches ... Waist 37 inches

29 inches ... Biceps 30 inches

12 1/2 inches ... Forearm 12 1/2 inches

11 1/2 inches ... Thigh 12 1/2 inches

10 1/2 inches ... Calf 12 1/2 inches

9 inches ... Ankle 9 inches

8 1/2 inches ... Neck 10 inches

9 inches ... Fists 10 inches

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